



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08203.0005-03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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John BUTLER et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3733
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Serial No.: 10/635,017)	Examiner: A. Ramana
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Filed: August 6, 2003)	
)	Confirmation No.: 7577
For: WOUND RETRACTOR)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

In reply to the Election of Species requirement dated June 23, 2006, the period for response to which has been extended to August 23, 2006, by the one-month Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the application as provided below:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendments section of this paper.